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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Nick E. Ciavarella, et al.

Serial No.: 10/693,567

Filed: 10/25/2003

For: Universal Collar

Art Unit: 3754

Examiner: Philippe S. Derakshani

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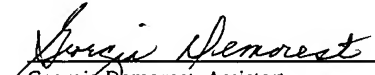
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RESPONSE OF OFFICE ACTION

AMENDMENT "A"

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 8, 2005, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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